



April 2010 Short Report

Retail

Now Open

[Attman's Deli](#) is now operating in the B&O Warehouse at 351 Camden Street. Not only will Attman's serve baseball fans on gameday, but the restaurant will also be open for breakfast and lunch every weekday.

[Bikram Yoga Baltimore](#) has opened its doors at 1010 Fleet Street in the Bagby Building. The second Baltimore location for this company, the new Harbor East studio includes a massage therapy room, a 1,500 square-foot yoga studio, and complete bathroom and shower facilities.

[BlueGrass Tavern](#) is now open at 1500 S. Hanover Street in Federal Hill. The new restaurant and bar is focused on Southern-style offerings, food and drink pairings, and fine bourbon.

[The Book Escape](#) has opened a second location at 10 N. Calvert Street, bringing new, rare and used books to the City Center.

[Centro](#) is now serving at 1444 Light Street. The menu is a mix of Spanish and Latin American tapas, with a focus on farm-to-table dishes.

[Crystal Moll Gallery](#) is now open at 1030 S. Charles Street in Federal Hill. The gallery will showcase Moll's work as well as the work of other local artists.

[Home on the Harbor](#) is now open at 1414 Key Highway. Relocating from its former home in Mt. Washington, this new site on the Harbor in South Baltimore will allow the store to offer more inventory, including furniture, lighting, rugs and home accessories.

[Kingpin](#), a new men and women's clothing boutique, opened this month at 1924 Fleet Street in Fells Point.

[The Midtown Lounge](#) is now open above the Midtown Yacht Club at 15 E. Centre Street.

After a brief closure, [Porter's of Federal Hill](#) at 1032 Riverside Avenue has reopened under new management. The newly renovated restaurant features a revamped menu of comfort food favorites.

Shapiro's Café is now open at 7 W. Preston Street in Mount Vernon. This new breakfast and lunch spot specializes in falafels, schwarma pitas, and corned beef sandwiches, but also features a range of sandwiches, juices, coffee drinks and desserts.

Stuggy's is now open at 809 S. Broadway in Fells Point. Stuggy's is a new sausage and hot-dog joint, featuring an old fashioned fountain soda and decadent entrees, sides, and desserts.

SubWorks is now open at 111 W. Centre Street. The new restaurant is open until 10 p.m. daily, and serves a selection of soups, salads, and—obviously—subs.

Coming Soon

Southwest Sandwiches will be opening in coming months at 222 E. Saratoga Street, bringing a new lunch venue to the area.

A new **Subway** will open in July at 55 Market Place.

If you have available retail space for lease in Downtown or have recently signed a new retailer to your location, please contact Mackenzie Paull at mpaull@dpob.org.

Member News

The University of Maryland's Robert H. Smith School of Business has announced that it will receive \$1.5 million over a ten year period from the **BB&T Foundation**. The money will be used to support business ethics and leadership programs including the BB&T Colloquium on Capitalism, Ethics and Leadership lecture series.

Sixteen local apartment communities owned and managed by **Continental Realty Corporation** have been named to the "A" List in recognition of outstanding customer service. These awards, which are known as the National Multifamily Customer Service Award of Excellence, were given to eight properties in Baltimore City, six in Baltimore County and two in the Annapolis area.

hord | coplan | macht was recently honored by the American Society of Landscape Architects for two of its projects, Wilson Point Park and 9/11 Memorial Garden. The two projects are located in Baltimore County and on the campus of Loyola College in Baltimore respectively.

Hotel Brexton has joined Historic Hotels of America. The Mt. Vernon hotel was selected by the National Trust Historic Hotels to be in the group of more than 200 hotels.

The **Hyatt Regency Baltimore** has received both a Mayor's Business Recognition Award and a Diversity Trailblazer Award for its commitment to the community. The hotel received the Mayor's award for its successful Family of Responsible and Caring Employees (F.O.R.C.E) program. Gail Smith-Howard, general manager of the Hyatt, was

presented with the Diversity Trailblazer Award at the 11th Annual Minority Business Summit last month.

[Ober | Kaler](#) is the first law firm to partner with Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service's Project HEAL at the Johns Hopkins Children's Center and Kennedy Krieger Institute. Project HEAL is a nationally recognized medical-legal partnership that provides pro bono legal services for children and their families.

[The Walters Art Museum](#) has been granted \$315,000 from The National Endowment for the Humanities to digitize, catalog and distribute its medieval manuscript collection. The goal of this 2 ½ year project is to allow free access to the over 40,000 pages of ancient text and illumination for audiences all over the world.

Development News

Effective until the end of 2010, Maryland businesses are eligible for a \$5,000 tax credit for every unemployed Marylander they hire after March 25. For more information about this tax credit and how to apply, [click here](#).

City Center

All Star Consulting, LLC, a call center and consulting firm, has signed a 3,143 square foot office and call center lease with Merritt Properties at **729 E. Pratt Street**.

Law firm Cardaro & Peek, LLC has renewed their lease at **201 N. Charles Street**.

Chicago Title Insurance Co. has leased 6,364 square-feet at **1 N. Charles Street**.

Global Tracking Group, a company that specializes in GPS solutions, has just leased 1,878 square-feet at **300 E. Lombard Street**.

[Ober | Kaler](#) will move its Baltimore headquarters from the Sun Trust Bank building to **100 Light Street** by April of next year. The firm has signed a 15 year lease for more than 94,000 square-feet on six floors at the building.

Inner Harbor

Anthem Energy, a private energy investment management company, has leased 3,650 square feet of space at **100 International Drive** at Harbor East's new Legg Mason Tower.

Mount Vernon

Baltimore's Board of Municipal and Zoning Appeals has approved the conversion of The Medical Arts Building into 53 high end apartments. The nine-story building which was originally apartments, is located at **11 E. Chase Street** and currently sits mostly vacant. The \$5 million dollar conversion plan will also give the building back its original name, The Algonquin.

Westside

Law Firm Womble Carlyle Sandridge & Rice, PLLC has renewed its lease of 17,738 square feet at **250 W. Pratt Street**.

The U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs signed a 63,824 square foot lease at **209 W. Fayette Street**, the former Catholic Relief Services Building. The space will serve as an expansion for the agency's existing office at 10 N. Greene Street.

Adjacent Neighborhoods

Moodlerooms, Inc., an education software company, has just leased 8,300 square-feet at **190 W. Ostend Street** in Federal Hill.

The **Recreation Pier** in Fells Point has been sold for \$2 million to Recreation Pier Developers LLC who plan to turn the pier into a \$35 million, 132 room Aloft hotel with a restaurant. Built in 1914 to store cargo, the pier was later used as a community center, with a second floor ballroom.

South Baltimore Learning Center, an adult education and literacy organization, has expanded into an additional 1,000 square-feet of space at **28 E. Ostend Street** in Federal Hill.

Exponential Interactive, Inc., an online advertising company, has signed a 3,346 square-foot office lease at The Foundry on Fort in South Baltimore.